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471# 171004528, FRN 1799007703; 471# 17100071, FRN 1799000100

Issue I

We have completed our review and determined that FRN 1799007703 and 1799000100 will be denied because FCC RFP ITBE-027-14 identifies the service provider AT&T within the document. Although the RFP states that the RFP was issued to "insure a smooth transition of services between AT&T and another vendor, there are items specific to AT&T identified on the RFP. These items include but are not limited to: Nortel CS-2100 Main Communications System, channelization common equipment in the AT&T San Marco Central office, and call records will be validated and posted to AT&T's 9-1-1 database. Based on the RFP, it also appears as if the products and services which are up for bid are located in an AT&T office. Since the service provider was specifically mentioned on the RFP and specific equipment relative to AT&T was alluded to, both FRNs will be denied.

THERE IS NO LANGUAGE REGARDING A QUEEN OF PEACE (OR EQUIVALENT) VIOLATION IN THE REVIEWER'S COMMENTS ABOVE.

For additional information on the competitive bidding process, please refer to the USAC Website: http://www.usac.org/sl/applicants/step01/default.aspx. THIS URL DOES NOT ADDRESS THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED IN THE REVIEWER'S COMMENTS

THERE IS ANOTHER URL ON THE "STEP01" PAGE ABOVE BUT IT ALSO DOES NOT ADDRESS THE CONCERNS EXPRESSED IN THE REVIEWER'S COMMENTS

Open and Fair Competitive Bid Process

The entity filing the FCC Form 470 must ensure that the competitive bidding process is open and fair:

- All bidders must be treated the same.
- No bidder can have advance knowledge of the project information.
- There are no secrets in the process such as information shared with one bidder but not with others and that all bidders know what is required of them.
- With limited exceptions, service providers and potential service providers cannot give gifts to applicants.
- In addition, the value of free services (e.g., price reductions, promotional offers, free products) generally must be deducted from the pre-discount cost of funding requests.

If the entire FRN should not be denied and you have alternative information, please provide the supporting documentation

DUVAL'S RESPONSE:

Duval County Public Schools issued a bid which was to allow any and all to respond with their solution Generic services requested in the Bid:

DS-1

End user Station lines

PRI

CS2100 is a Nortel Switch/PBX owned by Duval County Public Schools (DCPS) and is located on DCPS property @ 4019 Blvd Center Dr. in our Admin IT Building. THIS APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN IGNORED BY THE REVIEWER

RFP Bid ITBE -027-14 (copy attached) DCPS requested under Special Conditions 3.

Award Item Bid: Item bid should be the manufacturer & model # or name of product you will supply if awarded. THIS TOO APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN IGNORED BY THE REVIEWER

❖ <u>items in Group A items 1 – 24</u> that would terminate in the ILEC Central office due to the cross connecting to <u>other CLEC companies having co-location in the Clay St. CO</u>. THIS REBUTTAL APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN IGNORED BY THE REVIEWER

At that time in early 2014 there were vendors buying Wholesale from at&t and reselling those services to clients.

One of those companies was the State of Florida Dept of Management Services which still
resells those services today under the DMS Product offerings.
DMS chose not to respond since their pricing was Fixed and bought wholesale.

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DCPS is asking for the same (ILEC/CLEC [Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier/Competitive Local Exchange Carrier] provided) **Or like** Central office based Telecommunications systems to service all of the current and future 170 schools plus administrative locations based on the below systems and user information. THIS TOO APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN IGNORED BY THE REVIEWER

Group B was voice Communications in Schools.

One company reselling at&t services that had discussion prior to the Bid was

2. ENA – Educational Networks of America – Nashville Tn. By referencing the current services it was hoped that ENA could resell Wholesale to Duval County Public Schools with a low Markup. At&t won the bid in another school district prior to our bid so ENA chose not to bid on ITBE-027-14 in view of that loss. IN AN EFFORT TO TRY TO GET THE REVIEWER TO UNDERSTAND THERE WAS NO INTENT TO EXCLUDE ANY SERVICE PROVIDER FROM CONSIDERATION, DCPS STATED THEY WERE VERY HOPEFUL THEY WOULD HAVE COMPETITION IN THIS SOLICITATION HOWEVER. THIS TOO APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN IGNORED BY THE REVIEWER.

Note that the ITBE-027-00 was specific that for purposes of Evaluation

Item Bid: Item bid should be the manufacturer & model # or name of product you will supply if awarded. NOT SURE OF RELEVANCE OF THIS STATEMENT

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The Central office based telecommunication switching system service is furnished from central office equipment located on ILEC/CLEC owned premises and associated facilities arranged to provide the following basic service capabilities/features.

1. Exchange and long distance message network calls may be made to station lines by dialing the number associated with that station line or attendant position. 2. Exchange and long distance message network calls may be made from station lines via direct outward dialing. 3. Station-to-station intercommunication via two to ten-digit dialing between station lines of the subscriber's system. 4. Outgoing long distance message calls dialed by a station line will be identified by the seven-digit station number. Only calls billed to the subscriber by the successful bidder will be provided this station user telephone number identification. 5. Touch-Tone out-dialing service on each station user line. 6. Common recorded announcement interception of calls to unassigned station numbers will be provided by the successful bidder.

ALL OF THIS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN IGNORED BY THE REVIEWER WHICH WAS NOT AN UNCOMMON THEME SEEN THROUGHOUT THE 2017 REVIEW PROCESS.

